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PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
MASAAKI NAKABAYASHI) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Application No.: 09/928,337) Group Art Unit: 2872
Filed: August 14, 2001)
For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING))
OPTICAL ELEMENT AND)
OPTICAL ELEMENT)
MANUFACTURED THEREBY : October 17, 2001

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Washington, D.C. 20231

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-captioned application as follows and consider the following remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 15 and ending at page 1, line 20 with the following paragraph. A marked-up copy of the original paragraph showing the changes thereto is attached.

--Hitherto, the chromatic aberration of an optical system has been corrected by combining optical elements made of glass materials different in dispersion. Further, the articles published in SPIE Vol. 1354 on pages 24-37 disclose a method of correcting chromatic aberration using a diffraction optical system.--